

REMARKS

The amendment to the specification adding two paragraphs is being submitted to summarize embodiments of the invention described in the application as originally filed.

In response to the restriction requirement made by the Examiner in the Office Action mailed on April 23, 2004 Applicants hereby elect the Group II claims for prosecution in the captioned application. The elected species is the compound where R₁ and R₂ are hydroxymethyl, R₃ and R₆ are hydrogen, and Y is sulfur (*i.e.*, [5-(5-Hydroxymethylthiophen-2-yl)selenophen-2-yl]methanol). The pending claims readable on the elected species are claims 15-22. Claims 1-14 have been cancelled without prejudice. New claims 15-22 have been added and are believed to be in line with the restriction requirement. Support for new claims 15-22 is found in the originally filed claims.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Consideration of the claims leading to their allowance, and passage of the application to issuance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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